

S.D. No. 1 (Plain)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

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Special Report

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23rd day of January 19 50

SUBJECT

1. The following information has been received from a reliable source:-

Reference to Papers

2. "The full-time organisers of the Socialist Workers Party are asking unemployed members to contact the Party headquarters so that they can be dispatched to areas where there is active picketing concerning the current steel dispute. Employed members are also being asked to take sick leave or time off so that they, too, can assist.

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

3. According to certain well-placed comrades within the party, the hierarchy see this dispute as an excellent opportunity to increase their much sought after industrial base. It is also believed that in the Sheffield steel area a new branch of the SWP has been set up following the rapid recruitment of about thirty new members. The party in every area is offering assistance to those concerned with the strike in the form of propaganda and support on the picket lines.

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4. Three of the characters involved in organising this particular venture are [Privacy] and [Privacy]

5. Persons mentioned in this report are the subjects of the following references:-

[Privacy]

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Trevor Butler

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

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